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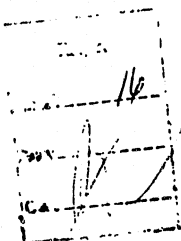
TELEPHONE CALL FROM MR CLEVELAND

The Sec returned the call and C reported on his talks with the President and Bundy. The Pres had seen Stevenson's cable and wanted to know about the Indian res and asked if we could take it. C said he would look at it and consult with the disarmament people and give him an answer. (Conversation around me and I missed a bit here.) C said when he called back that he thought the best thing at this point would be to go ahead with the cable to Stevenson - not make a deal on the Indian res at this stage but work out a symbolic res ourselves. Use part of the Indian and Canadian res and give credit to all the drafters. C explained to the Pres and Bundy there has been a reluctance around town particularly at the Pentagon and at State to separate the symbolic from the real. We should find a way of agreeing with the Russians and underdeveloped countries about the definition of Utopia. Then we say o.k. we agree on that and then let's see what to do next. The Sec said he thought our res did that. C thinks we won't get away with it. The Sec asked about the parliamentary position. C said Stevenson is talking with Gromyko about a deal on what we will do in the GA on disarmament and S feels we should give an answer - stick to the instructions at the WH now or go beyond the Indian res. C thinks we should go ahead on this cable and have another saying we can't go along with this but we will work something out in the course of the GA. C thinks it will be o.k. 'd at the WH. The Sec thinks we should get an instruction out to Stevenson.

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